

**Week at a Glance…**

**Theme: Nursery Rhymes**

**Monday: Hickory Dickory Dock**

**Tuesday: Muffin Man**

**Wednesday: Three Little**

**Kittens**

**Thursday: Nursery Rhyme**

**Olympics**

**Friday: There was an Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe**

**Here’s What’s Jumpin’ in the Jungle**

November 13, 2009

There is a constant singing of nursery rhymes in here! Whether the children are working, playing, cleaning up or packing their backpacks, they always seem to be reciting the nursery rhymes we have learned…I just love their enthusiasm and hope they are sharing what we are learning at home! The nursery rhymes have really increased the children’s awareness of words that do and do not rhyme and have also given us the chance to talk about vocabulary…silly Mother Goose used some funny words!

We have had a busy week! We loved making Humpty Dumpty eggs yesterday and had fun listening to a Native American story teller on Wednesday. We also LOVE the chance to act out our nursery rhymes each day.

We are heading into our last week learning about nursery rhymes! We will be finishing up our small group work from this past week, completing a nursery rhyme listen and find, will be practicing counting and number recognition with the Old Woman in a Shoe and will even be participating in a Nursery Rhyme Olympics with some of the other 4K classes. We will be going to different “events” in each classroom and will conclude our day with a nursery rhyme feast.

**Conferences**

Just a reminder conferences will be held this Tuesday, November 17th and Thursday, November 19th from 4:00-7:30 and on Wednesday, November 18th from 8:00am-3:00pm. I am looking forward to meeting with all of you! It is important for us to talk about your child’s progress as adults, so please keep in mind **4K students should not attend conferences!** Thanks so much for your understanding! Child care will be provided during evening conferences.

**Thank You!**

To all of our terrific parent helpers this week…we couldn’t do it without you!

For all of the wonderful feedback provided on the surveys about your children….it is very useful to me!

**Don’t Forget!!**

**Mondays** are gym days; please send your child in comfy shoes!  
**Wednesdays** are library days; please return your books on or before this day!

**King/ Queen of the Jungle!**

**This week Sam Knapp was King of the Jungle in the AM class. We had a visit from his mom yesterday and she read us two great books! We learned that Sam is a golfer…he even showed us some skills! We also learned that he has 4 people in his family, loves to eat scrambled eggs with cheese and enjoys going to his cottage. Sam shared that he wants to be a fireman when he grows up!**

**The PM class learned more about Caleb Bain. His mom visited our classroom today! We learned that Caleb has 6 people in his family and many pets. Caleb loves going to Wilderness Lodge, Monkey Joe’s and Wild Air. Caleb also wants to be a fireman when he grows up**

**Hooray!! A Field Trip**

As the holiday season approaches, the 4K unit is planning a trip to the Fox River Mall. This trip is in conjunction with the Salvation Army and Ronald McDonald House and will involve the students shopping for a gift to donate to one of these causes. We feel it is important for the children to learn about giving, especially at this time of the year. Due to the location of the trip and the activities involved, we need as many chaperones as possible. The tentative date for this field trip is December 8, more information will be coming soon, but I just wanted to put a bug in anyone’s ear who may be interested in joining us! Please call with any questions!

**Coming Up…**

Important dates to remember!

November 17: Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences

November 18: Daytime Parent Teacher Conference

November 19: Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences **Book Orders Due!**

November 25: ½ day PM 4k attends 8:50-11:30 NO AM 4K

November 26-27: NO SCHOOL

**Please help…**

As we look forward to upcoming units, we will be in need of white cotton balls If you are able to send in a bag , it would be SO appreciated!